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Proof of Residency Now Required to Receive the First Dose of COVID-19 Vaccine in Florida

Sarasota – In accordance with the Public Health Advisory issued by Florida's Surgeon General Thursday, Jan. 21, DOH Sarasota will prioritize Floridians for 1st dose COVID-19 vaccinations. Individuals presenting for their **first** dose of the COVID-19 vaccine must be able to demonstrate residency in Florida.

In order to demonstrate Florida residency, an individual must present either

- (1) A valid Florida driver license or valid Florida identification card, **or**
- (2) If an individual does not have a valid Florida driver license or identification card, they may present a copy of two of the following items that show proof of residential address:
 - A deed, mortgage, monthly mortgage statement, mortgage payment booklet or residential rental or lease agreement. (Copies of deeds can be found on the Clerk of the Circuit Court and County Comptroller website <https://www.sarasotaclerk.com/>)
 - A utility hookup or work order that is not more than 2 months old.
 - A utility bill that is not more than 2 months old.
 - Mail from a bank or other financial institution, including checking, savings, or investment account statements, that is not more than 2 months old.
 - Mail from a government agency that is not more than 2 months old. (Mail from a government agency can include the annual tax bill showing a Florida address). 2020 Tax bills can be found on the Sarasota County Tax Collector website <https://www.sarasotataxcollector.com/>)
 - One of the above items from the individual's parent, step-parent, legal guardian or other person with whom the individual resides and a statement from the parent, step-parent, legal guardian or other person with whom the person resides stating that the person does reside with him or her.

Please note, the above residency requirements do **NOT** apply to health care providers or individuals presenting for their second dose of the COVID-19 vaccine.

To find more information on the Florida residency requirement, visit sarasotahealth.org.